Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-28. Please add new Claims 29-41. The Claim Listing below will replace all prior versions of the claims in the application:

Claim Listing

- 1-28. (canceled)
- 29. (new) A method for promoting cardiac tissue repair comprising administering to the cardiac tissue a therapeutically effective amount of the peptide Ala-Gly-Tyr-Lys-Pro-Asp-Glu-Gly-Lys-Arg-Gly-Asp-Ala-Cys-Glu-Gly-Asp-Ser-Gly-Gly-Pro-Phe-Val-NH₂ (SEQ ID NO: 4).
- 30. (new) The method of Claim 29 wherein the peptide is administered during or following cardiac surgery.
- 31. (new) The method of Claim 29 wherein the peptide is administered by injection into the cardiac tissue.
- 32. (new) The method of Claim 29 wherein a sustained release formulation comprising the peptide is administered to the cardiac tissue.
- 33. (new) The method of Claim 32 wherein the sustained release formulation is a polylactic acid/polyglycolic acid microparticles comprising the peptide.
- 34. (new) A method of stimulating revascularization of cardiac tissue comprising administering to cardiac tissue comprising administering to the cardiac tissue a therapeutically effective amount of the peptide Ala-Gly-Tyr-Lys-Pro-Asp-Glu-Gly-Lys-Arg-Gly-Asp-Ala-Cys-Glu-Gly-Asp-Ser-Gly-Gly-Pro-Phe-Val-NH₂ (SEQ ID NO: 4).

- 35. (new) A method of inhibiting restenosis in a patient following balloon angioplasty, said method comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the peptide Ala-Gly-Tyr-Lys-Pro-Asp-Glu-Gly-Lys-Arg-Gly-Asp-Ala-Cys-Glu-Gly-Asp-Ser-Gly-Gly-Pro-Phe-Val-NH₂ (SEQ ID NO: 4).
- 36. (new) The method of Claim 35 wherein the peptide is coated onto a balloon angioplasty catheter.
- 37. (new) The method of Claim 35 wherein the peptide is administered systemically.
- 38. (new) The method of Claim 35 wherein the peptide is administered locally to a balloon induced damaged area of a blood vessel.
- 39. (new) The method of Claim 35 wherein a stent coated with the peptide is inserted into a blood vessel at a balloon induced damaged area.
- 40. (new) A stent coated with the peptide Ala-Gly-Tyr-Lys-Pro-Asp-Glu-Gly-Lys-Arg-Gly-Asp-Ala-Cys-Glu-Gly-Asp-Ser-Gly-Gly-Pro-Phe-Val-NH₂ (SEQ ID NO: 4).
- 41. (new) A method of inhibiting vascular occlusion in a patient, said method comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the peptide Ala-Gly-Tyr-Lys-Pro-Asp-Glu-Gly-Lys-Arg-Gly-Asp-Ala-Cys-Glu-Gly-Asp-Ser-Gly-Gly-Pro-Phe-Val-NH₂ (SEQ ID NO: 4).